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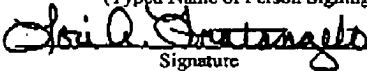
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Sir:

The owner of the above-identified patent believes that it inadvertently claimed small entity status in United States Patent No. 7,114,888 issued on October 3, 2006 and its underlying application, No. 10/687,960 filed on October 17, 2003. Small entity status was established in the patent due to the owner's error that occurred without deceptive intent.

The small entity status of the owner has fluctuated over the past several years and, more recently, the owner has been rapidly growing. Following a recent analysis of the small entity status, it was discovered that the owner currently no longer qualifies for small entity status. The precise date of loss of entitlement to claim small entity status is not known, however, it is known that the loss of entitlement occurred in 1998.

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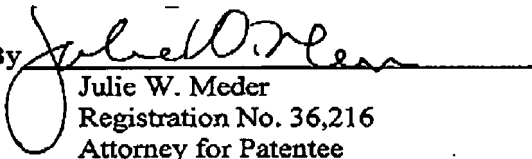
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The owner requests excuse of this error by payment of the deficiencies in fees. However, no fee is believed to be due in the above-identified patent because the required fee was paid in U.S. Patent No. 7,334,377 to which this application and the underlying provisional applications correspond.

However, if any fees are believed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650.

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